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Monday, 13 December 2004

Security Council

10 a.m. — 5099th meeting — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

   Report of the Secretary-General pursuant to paragraph 30 of resolution 1546 (2004) (S/2004/959)

Morning[1] — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

Other matters

3 p.m. — Consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultations Room

UNDOF (S/2004/948)

Côte d'Ivoire

Other matters

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 5099th meeting.

Security Council

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Tuesday, 14 December 2004, in the Security Council Chamber, in connection with the agenda item "Protection of civilians in armed conflict". Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should contact the Secretariat (room S-3520; or tel. 1 (212) 963-5254), as from Thursday, 9 December 2004, from 9.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.

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General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

10 a.m. 29th meeting Conference Room 3

1. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations [107]

   Proposed programme budget outline for the biennium 2006-2007 (A/59/415 and A/59/600)

   Introduction and general discussion

2. Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005 [108]

   Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives, authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council (A/59/534/Add.1, A/59/534/Add.2, A/59/569/Add.1 and A/59/569/Add.2)

   Revised estimates arising out of resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 2004 (A/59/393, A/59/393/Add.1, A/59/542 and A/59/597)

   International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (A/59/433, A/59/560 and A/59/579)

   Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.26: Future operation of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (A/C.5/59/16 and A/59/579)

   Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.49: Situation of human rights in Myanmar (A/C.5/59/19 and A/59/597)

   Programme budget implications arising from the decision of the Chairman of the Sixth Committee at its 27th meeting of 19 November 2004: International convention against the reproductive cloning of human beings (A/C.5/59/20 and A/59/597)

   Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.31 (as orally revised): International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families (A/C.5/59/21 and A/59/597)

   Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.29/Rev.1: Rights of the child (A/C.5/59/22 and A/59/597)

   Programme budget implications of recommendations contained in the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/C.5/59/13 and A/59/567)

   Unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the biennium 2004-2005 (A/59/90 and A/59/551)

   Introduction and general discussion

3. Administrative and budgetary coordination of the United Nations with the specialized agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency [111]

Statistical report of the Chief Executives Board on the budgetary and financial situation of the organizations of the United Nations system (A/59/315)

Introduction and general discussion

Morning[1] – 1 p.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3–6 p.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 108 (Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005: Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives, authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council (A/59/534/Add.1, A/59/534/Add.2, A/59/569/Add.1 and A/59/569/Add.2); Revised estimates arising out of resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 2004 (A/59/393, A/59/393/Add.1, A/59/542 and A/59/597); International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (A/59/433, A/59/560 and A/59/579); Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.26: Future operation of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (A/C.5/59/16 and A/59/579); Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.49: Situation of human rights in Myanmar (A/C.5/59/19 and A/59/597); Programme budget implications arising from the decision of the Chairman of the Sixth Committee at its 27th meeting of 19 November 2004: International convention against the reproductive cloning of human beings (A/C.5/59/20 and A/59/597); Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.31 (as orally revised): International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families (A/C.5/59/21 and A/59/597); Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/59/L.29/Rev.1: Rights of the child (A/C.5/59/22 and A/59/597); Programme budget implications of recommendations contained in the report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/C.5/59/13 and A/59/567); Unforeseen and extraordinary expenses for the biennium 2004-2005 (A/59/90 and A/59/551); Request for a subvention to the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (A/C.5/59/3, A/C.5/59/3/Corr.1, A/C.5/59/3/Add.1, A/59/553 and A/59/553/Corr.1); Financial viability of the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (A/59/271); Administrative and financial implications of the decisions and recommendations contained in the report of the International Civil Service Commission (A/59/429 and A/59/522); and Capital master plan (A/59/441, A/58/556, A/58/712, A/58/729, A/58/779, A/59/161, A/59/420 and A/59/556))

[1] Following the adjournment of the 29th meeting of the Committee.

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Proposed work programme and budget of the United Nations Habitat and Human Settlements Foundation for the biennium 2006-2007

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Second Committee
Informal "informals"

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Majdi Ramadan (Lebanon), on the draft resolution on the importance of further strengthening efforts towards achieving the internationally agreed development goals, including the Millennium Development Goals, in the promotion of peace (under agenda item 89), will be held on *Monday, 13 December 2004*, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Olivier Chave (Switzerland), on the draft resolution on agenda item 90 (b) (Triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system), will be held on *Monday, 13 December 2004*, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8 and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Félix Mbayu (Cameroon), on the draft resolution on agenda item 84 (Follow-up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development), will be held on *Monday, 13 December 2004*, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Khondker Talha (Bangladesh), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (a) (International trade and development), will be held on *Monday, 13 December 2004*, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room DC2-1120.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Majdi Ramadan (Lebanon), on the draft resolution on agenda item 89 (a) (Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006)), will be held on *Monday, 13 December 2004*, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

Informal "informals", convened by the Facilitator, Mr. George Talbot (Guyana), on the draft resolution on agenda item 83 (b) (International financial system and development), will be held on *Monday, 13 December 2004*, from 4 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room C-209B.

General Assembly

International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States
Briefing

There will be a briefing by the Permanent Mission of Mauritius, as host country for the International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States, and the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States, in his capacity as the Secretary-General of the Mauritius International Meeting, on *Monday, 13 December 2004*, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations on the 2005 regular session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations, (5–18 January 2005) on *Monday, 13 December 2004*, and Tuesday, 14 December, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Other meetings

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Monday, 13 December 2004

Group of 77 *(draft resolution on the follow-up and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development; followed by all outstanding issues before the Second Committee)*

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 9

Group of 77 *(draft resolution on macroeconomic policy questions: international trade and development; followed by draft resolution on training and research: United Nations Training and Research)*

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Trusteeship Council Chamber

Group of 77 *(draft resolution on operational activities for development: triennial comprehensive policy review of operational activities for development of the United Nations system)*

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1

Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)*

1.15–2.45 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Group of 77 *(all outstanding issues before the Second Committee)*

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A

Group of 77 *(organization of work of the thirteenth session of the Commission on Sustainable Development)*

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Nigeria)

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) (under agenda item 38 (a)) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Morocco)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Informal briefing to members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations on the concept of strategic reserves

There will be an informal briefing to members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations on the concept of strategic reserves, on *Monday, 13 December 2004*, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 1. For further information, please contact Ms. Souverijn-Eisenberg, Peacekeeping Best Practices Unit, Department of Peacekeeping Operations (tel. 1 (917) 367-0067; or e-mail souverijn-eisenberg@un.org).

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Monday, 13 December 2004

Room S-226

12 noon Press briefing by the Spokesman

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

Main Committees

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 58/136, the two facilitators appointed by the Chairman of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold the first informal consultations on how to rationalize the work of the Fourth Committee, on Tuesday, 14 December 2004, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Second Committee

The Second Committee will hold its 39th and 40th meetings on Tuesday, 14 December 2004, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2, to take action on all outstanding draft proposals and to conclude its work.

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 30th meeting on Tuesday, 14 December 2004, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3. Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 30th meeting, and at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999) concerning Al Qaida and the Taliban and associated individuals and entities
Briefing

At a public meeting of the Security Council on Friday, 17 December 2004, the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267 (1999) concerning Al Qaida and the Taliban and associated individuals and entities will hold a briefing pursuant to paragraph 12 of resolution 1526 (2004). Member States wishing to make statements at the meeting about their experiences in implementing the sanctions measures stipulated in paragraph 1 of resolution 1526 (2004) and any other issues related to the mandate of the Committee are invited to contact the Chairman's office (Ms. Carla Serazzi (e-mail CSerazzi@chileun.org; fax 1 (212) 832-8714)) and the Committee secretariat (Ms. Tatiana Cosio (e-mail Cosio@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-1300 or 963-3778)).

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

The Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism, together with the Commonwealth of Independent States, will hold in Almaty (Kazakhstan) from Wednesday to Friday, 26 to 28 January 2005, its fourth special meeting with international, regional and sub-regional organizations (open to Member States and invitees). All Member States are welcome to attend as observers. Interested Member States are kindly requested to contact the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Kazakhstan (tel. 1 (212) 230-1900, extensions 20 or 13).

General Assembly

International Meeting to Review the Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States
Port Louis, Mauritius, 10-14 January 2005

The Secretary-General of the United Nations International Meeting would like to inform all concerned that the International Meeting will be held *at the Swami Vivekananda International Convention Center, at Les Pailles, Mauritius,* from 10 to 14 January 2005. It will be preceded by two days of informal consultations in Mauritius on Saturday and Sunday, 8 and 9 January. The high-level segment will be held on Thursday and Friday, 13 and 14 January.

Lists of speakers

Plenary interactive panels

There will be no speakers' lists for the interactive panels organized in the plenary, scheduled to take place from Monday, 10 January, to Wednesday, 12 January. The Panels will address the following themes: The Environmental Vulnerabilities of Small Island Developing States; The Special Challenges of Small Island Developing States in Trade and Economic Development; The Role of Culture in the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States; Addressing Emerging Trends and Social Challenges for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States; and Building Resilience in Small Island Developing States.

High-level segment general debate

The list of speakers for the high-level segment of the International Meeting, to be held on 13 and 14 January 2005, is open for the general debate under item 8 of the provisional agenda entitled, "Comprehensive review of the implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States". Statements would be presented by Heads of State or Government, or their high-level appointees, on the basis of the list to be drawn up by the Secretariat in accordance with established practice. It has been recommended that statements not exceed five minutes. Delegations wishing to inscribe should indicate the name and designation for the speakers' list to Ms. Lorna Fidler (tel. 1 (212) 963-2319; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail fidler@un.org).

High-level segment round tables

There will be two round tables on the overall theme "The Way Forward".

Round table 1, to be held on Thursday, 13 January, from 3 to 6 p.m., will highlight resources; and *Round table 2*, to be held on Friday, 14 January, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., will highlight capacity-building and technology transfer.

Delegations wishing to inscribe should indicate the name and designation and the round table to which they would like to inscribe to Ms. Lorna Fidler (tel. 1 (212) 963-2319; fax 1 (212) 963-5935; e-mail fidler@un.org). Each interactive round table would have 40-50 participants and would be open to Heads of State or Government or their high-level appointees.

Economic and Social Council

Ad Hoc Working Group on Informatics

The next meeting of the Ad Hoc Working Group on Informatics will take place on Thursday, 16 December 2004, from 10 to 11 a.m. in Conference Room 7, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Victor Camilleri (Malta), with the following agenda: (a) Web site dedicated to the Permanent Missions in New York; (b) Request by the Military and Civilian Police Advisers' Community; (c) Improvement of communications within regional groups; and (d) Ongoing initiatives in the Secretariat.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Pre-session informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP and UNFPA will hold its pre-session informal consultation on all matters before the first regular session 2005, on Monday, 10 January 2005, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 8.

First regular session 2005

The first regular session 2005 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from Tuesday, 25 January, to Friday, 28 January 2005, in Conference Room 2. The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2005/L.1. Member States as well as observers and other organizations are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board of UNDP and UNFPA (fax 1 (212) 906-5634) as early as possible, but not later than 14 January 2005.

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP and UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP will take place on Thursday, 20 January, and on Monday, 24 January 2005, in Conference Room 2. Prior to the convening of the joint meeting, there will be a formal meeting of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA, on Thursday, 20 January, at 10 a.m., to elect its new Bureau for 2005.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Symposium on "Strengthening conflict-sensitive business practices in vulnerable and conflict-affected states"

There will be a symposium on "Strengthening conflict-sensitive business practices in vulnerable and conflict-affected states", co-organized by the Global Compact Office, the German Foreign Office and the Friedrich Ebert Foundation, on Tuesday, 14 December 2004, from 9 a.m. to 1.15 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau

There will be a meeting of the Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement on Tuesday, 14 December 2004, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on multilingualism (under agenda item 156) (organized by the Permanent Mission of France)

There will be informal consultations on the draft resolution on multilingualism (under agenda item 156), organized by the Permanent Mission of France, on Thursday, 16 December 2004, at 9.30 a.m. in Conference Room 9.

Meeting of the Group of Interested States in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 52/38 G (Consolidation of Peace through Practical Disarmament Measures)

There will a meeting of the Group of Interested States in pursuance of General Assembly resolution 52/38 G (Consolidation of Peace through Practical Disarmament Measures) on Thursday, 16 December 2004, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8. The meeting will review the status of ongoing projects of practical disarmament and will hear new proposals in this field. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

Announcements

Fourth Open Forum for Partnerships on "Achieving the Millennium Development Goals in the Least Developed Countries"

The Office of the United Nations High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island Developing States (UN-OHRLLS) announces that it will hold its Fourth Open Forum for Partnerships on "Achieving the Millennium Development Goals in the Least Developed Countries", on Wednesday, 15 December 2004, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 6. A presentation will be made by Professor Jeffrey D. Sachs, Director of The Earth Institute, Columbia University, Director of the Millennium Project and Special Advisor to the Secretary-General on the Millennium Development Goals. Members of the Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Multi-stakeholder consultation on "Sovereign debt for sustained development: Issues for countries that access financial markets"

There will be a multi-stakeholder consultation on "Sovereign debt for sustained development: Issues for countries that access financial markets", organized by the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, in cooperation with the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean, at United Nations Headquarters, on Monday and Tuesday, 31 January and 1 February 2005. The consultation will comprise a series of informal meetings, including panel discussions and interactive round tables, with the participation of experts from the official and private sectors, as well as academia and civil society, as mandated by General Assembly resolution 58/230. *Delegations wishing to nominate individuals with appropriate expertise to act as panellists and/or round-table participants are kindly invited to submit the name and curriculum vitae of the proposed expert to the Financing for Development Office, DESA (fax 1 (212) 963-0443; or e-mail ffdoffice@un.org), by Friday, 31 December 2004.* Information on the modalities and background documentation of the event is available at www.un.org/esa/ffd/09multi-stake-consul-flyer-debt.htm.

High-level round tables to be convened during the high-level plenary meetings of the forty-third session of the Commission for Social Development

The forty-third session of the Commission for Social Development will be held at Headquarters from 9 to 18 February 2005. In its resolution 2004/58, the Economic and Social Council decided that the forty-third session of the Commission for Social Development should convene high-level plenary meetings open to the participation of all United Nations Member States and observers on the 10-year review of the implementation of the Copenhagen Declaration and Programme of Action and the outcome of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly. *The high-level plenary meetings will be held on 10 and 11 February 2005. In this regard, three high-level round tables will be convened on eradication of poverty, promoting full employment and fostering social integration*. Information on these three round tables, as well as other background information for the forty-third session of the Commission, is available for pick-up outside room DC2-1320. For further information, please visit the following Web site: www.un.org/esa/socdev/csd/csocd2005.htm.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Friday, 3 December 2004, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Background information on a report of the Secretary-General

The report of the Secretary-General on the modalities, format and organization of the high-level plenary meeting of the sixtieth session of the General Assembly has been issued in document A/59/545 and can also be found on the United Nations Web site (www.un.org/SG).

Electronic notice boards for meetings

Electronic notice boards for meetings were recently installed in the General Assembly Lobby and at the garden level adjacent to the Cafe Austria to display updated information on scheduled meetings taking place at Headquarters. The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management would welcome feedback comments on the screens, which can be sent by logging on to http://emeets.un.org and using the feedback form, so that further adjustments can be made as necessary. The Department would also welcome comments sent to the same e-mail address on the terminology used, the quality of language services and improvement of other services provided to Member States.

Copies of UNU-Wider Study on "New Sources of Development Finance"

Copies of the recently released UNU-WIDER Study on "New Sources of Development Finance" can be obtained from the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (room DC2-2386) (limited to one copy for each Permanent Mission).

Summary of meetings

Friday, 10 December 2004

Security Council

5098th meeting (closed) *Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B*

The Security Council met in private. At the close of the meeting, the following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"On 10 December 2004, the Security Council, pursuant to annex II, sections A and B of resolution 1353 (2001), held its 5098th meeting in private with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Disengagement Observer Force (UNDOF).

"The Security Council and the troop-contributing countries heard a briefing under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by Ms. Lisa Buttenheim, Director of the Asia and Middle East Division of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations.

"Members of the Council, Ms. Buttenheim and representatives of participating troop-contributing countries had a constructive exchange of views."

General Assembly

Fifty-ninth session

70th plenary meeting *Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms* [105 (b)]: *United Nations Decade for Human Rights Education, 1995-2004*

(a) Note by the Secretary-General (A/59/525)

(b) Draft resolution (A/59/L.43)

The President of the General Assembly made a statement.

The Deputy Secretary-General made a statement.

The representative of Australia made a statement, in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/59/L.43.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands (on behalf of the European Union and Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Iceland, Romania, Serbia and Montenegro, The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Turkey), Canada (on behalf of the Human Security Network), Chile (on behalf of the Community of Democracies), Kazakhstan, China, Liechtenstein, India, Mali, Cuba and Kenya.

Statements were made by the representatives of Japan, the United Arab Emirates, the United States, the Russian Federation, Indonesia, Slovenia, the Republic of Korea, Morocco, the Republic of Moldova and Costa Rica.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/59/L.43 (resolution 59/113).

The General Assembly thus concluded the meeting dedicated to the review of the achievements of the United Nations Decade for Human Rights Education, 1995-2004, and this stage of its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 105.

71st plenary meeting — The summary of the 71st plenary meeting of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2004/240).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Amendment to the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal. Geneva, 22 September 1995

Approval: Jordan (6 December 2004)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

United Nations Convention on Jurisdictional Immunities of States and their Property
New York, 2 December 2004

Opening for signature

In accordance with its articles 28 and 33, the above Convention shall be open for signature by all States from 17 January 2005 until 17 January 2007, at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

Certified true copies of the Convention, of which the Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish texts are equally authentic, will be prepared and will be transmitted to all States as soon as possible.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behalf of a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative issued by one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Convention could notify and provide copies of the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters in New York (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org).

For more information on full powers and a model instrument of full powers, please refer to the *Treaty Handbook* on the United Nations Treaty Collection Web site, which can be accessed at the following address: http://untreaty.un.org.

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of December 2004 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Ghana
H.E. Nana Effah-Apenteng

Asian States:
Republic of Korea
H.E. Mr. Kim Sam-hoon

Eastern European States:
Bosnia and Herzegovina
H.E. Mr. Mirza Kusljugić

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Panama
H.E. Mr. Ricardo Alberto Arias

Western European and other States:
Netherlands
H.E. Mr. Dirk Jan van den Berg

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